

PATENT

Atty. Dkt. No. STRR/0004.C1

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 24, 33 and 34, and amend claim 20 as follows:

Claims 1-19 (Previously Cancelled).

20. (Currently Amended) A disposable ampoule opener comprising ~~an~~ a plastic elongated housing member that includes a first elongated housing section and a second elongated housing section hingedly connected to the first elongated housing, having the first and second elongated housing sections having at least one latch capable of securing the first elongated housing section to the second elongated housing section to define an inner cavity shaped to receive a portion of an ampoule, an open housing end, a closed housing end, sidewalls disposed between the open housing end and the closed housing end, the sidewalls having an outer housing surface and an inner housing surface forming at least a portion of the inner cavity, wherein at least one inner rib circumscribes at least a portion of the inner housing surface proximate the open housing end, the ~~inner rib having an inner diameter capable of encircling and clamping a neck portion of an ampoule;~~ and a lid secured to the housing proximate the open housing end, the lid being capable of a closed position and an open position.

Claims 21-23 (Previously Cancelled).

24. (Cancelled)

Claims 25-32 (Previously Cancelled).

33. (Cancelled).

34. (Cancelled).